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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED  
EXAMINING GROUP 3689  
PATENT**

Attorney Docket No. 09812.0171-00

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
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Yoshizumi MANO et al. ) Group Art Unit: 3689  
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Application No.: 10/001,766 ) Examiner: Dennis W. Ruhl  
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Filed: October 31, 2001 ) Confirmation No.: 4322  
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For: INFORMATION PROCESSING )  
APPARATUS, METHOD, AND )  
SYSTEM, CONTENT SALES )  
SYSTEM AND METHOD, )  
TRANSACTION ASSISTING )  
SYSTEM AND METHOD, )  
SERVICE PROVIDING SYSTEM )  
AND METHOD, AND RECORDING )  
MEDIUM )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed August 18, 2008, the period for response to which extends to November 18, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

**Remarks** follow the amendment section of this paper.